Yarli language

Yarli (**Yardli**) was a dialect cluster of Australian Aboriginal languages spoken in northwestern New South Wales and into Northeastern South Australia individually **Malyangapa** (Maljangapa), **Yardliyawara**, and **Wadikali** (Wardikali, Wadigali). Bowern (2002) notes **Karenggapa** as part of the area, but there is little data.

Tindale (1940) groups **Wanjiwalku** & **Karenggapa** together with Wadikali & Maljangapa as the only languages in NSW that are behind the 'Rite of Circumcision' border - which suggests Wanjiwalku to also be part of the Yarli area.

Yarli	
Region	Northwestern New South Wales
Ethnicity	Malyangapa, Yardliyawara, Wadikali, Karenggapa
Native speakers	possibly extinct; 2 speakers in 1987 (2004)[1] Malyangapa extinct 1976 with the death of Laurie Quayle. Wadikali extinct before that.[1]
Language family	Pama–Nyungan ▪ **Yarli**
Dialects	Malyangapa Yardliyawarra
Writing system	Latin
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	Variously: `yxl` – Yardliyawarra `yga` – Malyangapa `wdk` – Wadikali (Malyangapa dialect)
Glottolog	`yarl1236 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/yarl1236)`[2]
AIATSIS[3]	`L8 (https://collection.aiatsis.gov.au/austlang/language/L8)` `L7 (https://collection.aiatsis.gov.au/austlang/language/L7)`

Classification

The three varieties are very close. Hercus & Austin (2004) classify them as the Yarli branch of the Pama–Nyungan family. Dixon (2002) regards the three as dialects of a single language. Bowern (2002) excludes them from the Karnic languages, where they had sometimes been classified.

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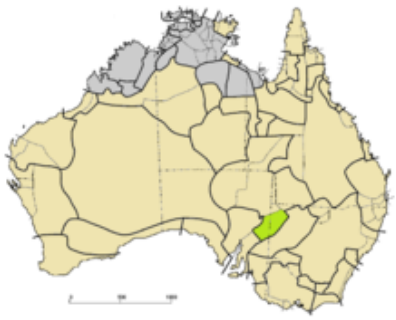

Yardli languages (green) among other Pama–Nyungan (tan)

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